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Subject: FW: Questions about the Magellan spill
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Below FYSA.

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FYSA, This is LCDR Toczko's response to the Reuters reporter.

From: Toczko, Jarod S LCDR
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 1:22 PM
To: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com
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Subject: RE: Questions about the Magellan spill

Emily,

Good Afternoon. The discharge at Magellan - Galena Park totaled 10,988 barrels of unleaded gasoline. The spill was discovered at 23:30 local time on 31 August and impacted surrounding flood waters on the property within the facility's containment. Our pollution response team arrived on scene after daybreak on September 1st to evaluate the situation and monitor clean-up operations. At that time, our personnel identified the spill within flood waters on the property but did not identify any product making its way into the navigable waterway, all pollution remained within the facility's containment. On 03 September, Magellan notified the National Response Center that impacted flood waters had entered a ditch adjacent to the facility that led to the Houston Ship Channel, creating a sheen. The area was boomed off by the contracted Oil Spill Removal Organization (OSRO) and they began recovery operations in that area as well. Our pollution response team investigated the area but did not witness any sheen or recoverable product within the ship channel. Our team continued to oversee clean-up operations on a daily basis until all contaminated flood waters were successfully removed on Wednesday, September 6th.

All product has been removed from the compromised tanks and all contaminated flood waters have been removed from the facility. There is no longer any immediate threat to the navigable waterway. Magellan and the contracted OSROs are currently conducting soil remediation efforts at the facility and those operations are expected to continue until Wednesday, September 20th.

All reports of discharges related to Hurricane Harvey were handled by the Unified Command with representation from local, state, and federal partners.

Very Respectfully,
Jarod

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-----Original Message-----

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [<mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com>]
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To: Toczko, Jarod S LCDR
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Questions about the Magellan spill

Hi Jarod,

I'm a reporter for Reuters covering the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey. I'd like to get your info on the Magellan spill in the Houston Ship Channel: How big was it, how long will it take to clean up, and what are the anticipated impacts from it? Also: are there any other spills the USCG responded to after Harvey before the Unified Command was established? If so, what are their details –size, company, location, facility, cleanup prognosis, etc?

My deadline is the end of today.

Thanks and best regards,

Emily

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